

RE MONSTRANCE

Of the present State of things in and about
the City, and Parliament, since the King and
Queenes departure to Hampton Court.

Wherein is contained,

1. The Examination of his Majesties Attourney Generall by the House of Commons, about the Articles against the 6 Parliament men, with his Answer to every particular.

2. How 2 boats laden with great saddles to be carried down to Kingston, were staid, and those that should have transported them, examined by the Parliament.

3. A letter of dangerous consequence, directed to Colonnell Lunsford, and found scattered at Pauls,

4. Seven Articles of high Treason against the said Colonnell Lunsford,

5. An Order of both Houses for the speedy Apprehension of the Lord Digby, and Colonnell Lunsford, for raising armes at Kingston, to the great terror and affright of his Maiesties good subjects.

6. The discovery of a Hellish gun-powder plot in Ireland, laid by the Papists, to blow up the Protestant Army, at their first Arrivall: found out by Captaine Morton, who with 200 of the Protestants, went into a suspected Vault, fetcht out great store of powder, and tooke away much armes and munition.

Lastly, the advice sent from his Maiesties Commissioners, in Scotland, to both the Honourable Houses of Parliament, in England, January 15. 1642. for composing the present differences and distractions in this Kingdome.

Likewise that Colonnell Lunsford was taken at Sr. John Thoroughgoods, at Bishsgbere, nere Windsor. in the County of Barkshire.

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1. **W**Hether he contrived, framed or advised the Articles exhibited in the House of Lords, against the Lord *Kimbleton*, and Mr. *Hollis*, Sir *Arthur Haslerig* Mr. *Pym*, Mr. *Hamden*, and Mr. *Strood*, or whether he knew or had heard who did contrive, frame, or advise the same. To which he answered, That he did none of these three, and if he was proved so to doe, he would be contented to die for it.

2. Whether he knew the truth of those Articles, To which he answered, That he knew nothing but what was said to him by his Master the King.

3. Whether he will make them good when he shall be called thereto? To which he answered, He was no way able to make them good, further then his said Master should enable him.

4. From whence he had received them, or by whose advice he did exhibit them. To which he answered, That from his Masters hands he received them: and by his command did exhibit them.

5. What prooffe and testimony he had to maintaine those Articles, To which he answered, To which he answered, That he received the Command from his Master, and had no other prooffe or testimony but such as his Master should enable him with, And being pressed to deale clearely, what testimony that was, He said he was of his Majesties Councell and therefore desired further time to consider what further answer to make.

On Wednesd y the 12 of January, upon the report of the great Hurly-Burly, raised at Kingstone, by Colonel *Lunsford*, and the Lord *George Digby*, who with 300 Troopers, and diverse other desperate and suspicious persons, appearing in arms, much affrighted the Countrey People thereabout, and bred great feares in the City.

There were warrants granted out to the Sergeant, to stay two Boats laden with great saddles, to bee carried downe to Kingstone, and to bring them that transported them to be examined which was accordidgly performed.



*A Letter of Consequence, directed to Colonell
Lunford, scattered in S. Pauls, and since
come to publique view.*

Renowned Sir,

WE are generally ioyfull beyond expression, to heare of the Honour his Maiesty hath bin ple-sed to confer upon your so well deserving selfe, though wee confesse wee are no lesse sorrowfull for the unexpected commotion of that ungoverned Commonalty, which have bin the occasion of suppressing your power, and losing that Prerogative and place of honour of being Lieutenant of the Tower; we make no question but the lustre of Knighthood which his Maiesty hath bin pleased to transplant since upon you, will be a meanes to strengthen your Authority, to the assisting of our poore Brethren there with you, of which we shall be vigilant to imploy our furtherance in whatsoever you shall be pleased to put in practice for their reliefe; and establishing the supremacy of the church of Rome. Privacy will like wise be expedient, and a speciall care ought to be had in electing such as you may impose trust in; you know our enemies, therefore I need not specifie them, as for our friends, we have a faultkon, and pepper is very deare to us (you understand me) you may draw together some forces of our friends, under pretence against us: make your selfe as strong as you may, as for the charges we will be correspondent in defraying of them: if any scurrilous spirits should scandalize you, and endeavour to defame your person, with opprobrious speeches, or a suspicion of some illegal intents, you may be of some help, that for you are not without those on your side who are of sufficient ability to resist a meane power, as for what shall be wanting in you, shall be made good by our endeavours, and what you begin we will end.

As for the present, we have beene lately scattered by reason
of a sudden approach of the Scots upon us, so that we lost some
of our Officers, and some thousand souldiers. Captaine *Denis*
Curley dyed valorously, and Captaine *Thurloughking*, with Licu-
tenant *Matches*, whose names with us shall be eternized, who
chose rather to dye valiantly in the defence of the Church of
Rome, then to yeeld themselves prisoners to the Heretike Scots;
I will cease to speake further of them, whom we daily lament:
We are gathering up our scattered forces, and make no question
but to be of ability to give them battell speedily, our eyes are up-
on you in behalfe of our brethren, we know, there is no want of
valour, power, wisdom, assistance, or whatsoever may be avai-
able for the designe in you or your friends: be valiant for the
truth then: in so doing, you shall joy us, deliver our brethren,
and prove your selfe an everlasting, reall, and constant friend to
the Church of *Rome*.

G. Sarsnell, Redmond,
your friends, F. 7. VP. S. M. O. joyne.

Die Jovis 13. Januarii. 1641.

WHERAS information hath beene given to the Parliament, that
the Lord Digby (son to the Earle of Bristol) and Colonel
Lunsford, with others, have gathered Troopes of Horse, and have appea-
red in a warlike manner at Kingstone upon Thames in the County of
Surrey: (where the Magazine of Armes for that part of the Countie
lies) to the terror and affright of his Majesties good Subjects, and di-
sturbance of the publike weale of the Kingdome.

It is this day ordered by the Lords and Commons in Parliament, that
the Sheriffs of the severall Counties of England and Wales, callinge
to their assistance the Justices of the Peace, and the trained Bands of
those severall Counties (or so many of them as shall be necessary for the
service) shall suppress all unlawfull Assemblies gathered together to the
disturbance of the publike peace of the Kingdome in their severall Coun-
ties respectively: and that they take care to secure the said Counties, and
all the Magazines in them.

The manner how the Gun-powder Plot in Ireland was layd.
THE Rebels in Ireland, for bringing their bloody and Hellish
designes to perfection, had provided Shovels, Spades, pick-

backe, and many other instruments for the said bloody designe and about the number of 400. souldiers, and there with all speed they sett them to work, which was to undermin the ground for the space of two miles, and layd there great store of Gunpowder: and so by that meanes to blow up the aforesaid Lords in their marching over: this being done, the Rebels intended to march against the City of Dublin, and to destroy it by wild-fire: but they were prevented, and their hellish designes discovered by a miraculous meanes.

The manner how this Plot was discovered.

Colonell *Morton* marching before the protestant Army, and the two other Lords bringing on their forces with puissant courage, they being come within the space of six miles of Dublin, Colonell *Morton* feeling the ground quiver under his feet, it seeming like dry ground, caused the Army to stand, and said, that he feared that there was treachery intended against them, he therefore immediately tooke one of their strongest pikes, and thrust it into the ground, to see whether it were hollow or not, the pike running in with such great force, and he laying no strength to it, immediately caused some of his souldiers to dig to see what Plot there was intended against them, and digging a yard deepe, they espyed a vault, and great store of Gunpowder, whereupon the aforesaid Colonell caused them to retreat backe, fearing that they had come too far, but not knowing how to discover the same: unlesse that some man would venture his life to goe in: where presently a young man stept forth, and spake to them as followeth. Noble Captaine, to doe you and my Country good, I will venture my life to find out this hellish plot, then they let him downe, who presently espyed six men, they immediately questioning of him, he answered that he came from Generall *Nesle*, chiefe Generall for Rebels, to helpethem in their good enterprise, who being there about the space of two dayes, they resolved that onely one of them should tarry to bring this to passe, which was to give fire to the Gunpowder, for to blow up the Protestant Army, the rest should goe forth, and retyre backe to the Rebels: therefore they concluded together to draw

cuts which of them should tarry, which as the Lord would have it, it fell to his lot : and they being gone, he seeing the place which they came out at, came presently to the said place, and opened the doore, which was of wood, and covered with turse, in such a manner, that no man could perceive whether there were any doore or not : and coming forth, he related to Captaine Morton how it was. Who presently set a strong guard about the said vault, and then 2000. of the Protestants went in, and fetched all the powder out, and great store of Ammunition they have also taken.

Advice sent from his Majesties Commissioners in Scotland, to both Houses of Parliament, January 15. 1642.

OUR Treaty concerning the Irish affaires, being so often interrupted by the emergent distractions, gives us occasion earnestly to desire your Lordships, and these Noble Gentlemen of the House of Commons; for to present to the Honourable Houses of Parliament.

That we having taken into consideration, the manifold Obligations of the Kingdome of Scotland to our Native Gracious Sovereigne, his person and Government, considered and multiplied to the great and resent favours bestowed by his Majestie on that Kingdome, at his last being there; and settling the troubles thereof; and considering the mutuall interest of the Kingdomes, in the welfare and prosperitty of each other, acknowledged, and established in the late Treary, and finding our selves warranted and obliedged by all meanes to labour to keepe a right understanding betwixt the Kings Majestie and his people, to confirme that Brotherly affection began betwixt the two Nations, to advance their Unity, by all such wayes as may tend to the glory of God, and Peace of the Church and State of both Kingdomes, to tender thanks to the Parliament of England, for their assistance given to the Kingdome of Scotland, in settling the late troubles thereof wherein, next to the Providence of God, and the Kings Majestie Justice and goodnesse they do acknowledge, themselves most beholding to the mediation, and Brotherly kindnesse of the Kingdome of England, and likewise to proffer

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our service for removing all Jealousies and mislikings which may
arise betwixt the Kings Majestie, and his Kingdome, and our best
endeavours for the establishment of the affaires, and quiet of the
same.

We doe therefore in name of the Parliament and Kingdom
Scotland acknowledge our selves, next to the providence of God,
and in his Majesties justice and goodnesse most beholding to the
meditation and Brotherly kindnesse of the Kingdome of Eng-
land in many respect, and Especially in Condescending to the
Kings Majesties downe coming to Scotland in the midst of
their great affaires whereof we have tasted the sweet and com-
fortable fruits, and doe heartily wish the like happinesse to this
Kingdome.

And as we are hearty sorry to finde our hopes thereof defer-
red, by the present distractions daily growing heere to greater
height, And out of the sense thereof, have taken the boldnesse to
send our humble and faithfull advice to the Kings most Excellent
Majestie for the remedying of the same, to the just satisfaction of
his people, So out of our duty to his Majestie and to testifie our
brotherly affection to this Kingdome, and acquit our selves of
the trust imposed upon us.

We doe most earnestly beseech the Honourable Houses in
the Depth of their wisdom, to think timouly upon, the fairest
and fittest wayes of Composing all present difference; To the
glory of God, the good of the Church, and State of both King-
domes, and to his Majesties honour and Contentment wherein
if our faithfull endeavours may be any wayes usefull, we shall be
most ready at all occasions to contribute the same.

45 January 1642.

In Primis.

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